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The elderly make up about 10% of the total U.S. population. One out of 4 aged (5 million) live below the official poverty line. They face higher medical costs, poorer housing, and almost no legal aid.

To find out what they're doing about it, see pages 8 and 9.

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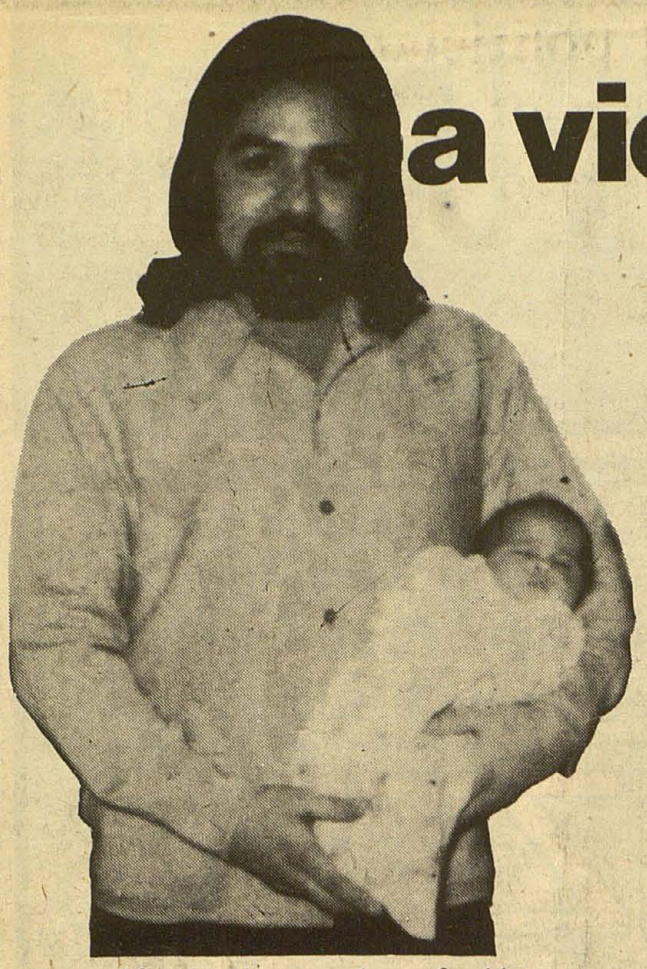
Orlando Quintana Inquest— a victory for the people



The Quintana family, friends and many members of the community have attended the investigative hearings.

After hearing two days of evidence the coroner's jury in the Orlando Quintana Inquest could not reach a decision on the cause of his death. Since coroner's juries generally call all police murders justifiable homicide, this was a victory because the jury heard only the police version of the killing and still couldn't decide. The verdict therefore meant the jury thought the police version wasn't the truth!

Orlando, known as Beetle to his friends, was killed by an off-duty policeman, Garford Eveland, on July 29, 1973. In an effort to get to the truth of the killing, the Quintana family requested a special blue ribbon inquest into the death. The reason they made this request was because the regular coroner's juries are nothing but rubber stamps for the police verion of deaths. Orginally the coroner denied this request but in light of the continued pressure from community groups he changed his mind.

The coroner orginally promised that the jury could have four "blue ribbon" jurors (i.e. independent jurors with no ties to the police) and two "rubber stamp" jurors. At the first day of the hearing the special coroner presiding over the case claimed they could find only three "blue ribbon" jurors – two ministers and a woman from Evanston. During the hearing it was easy to tell the difference between the jurors. The rubber stamp jurors slept through the proceedings and asked no questions while the blue ribbon jurors paid close attention and asked many questions.

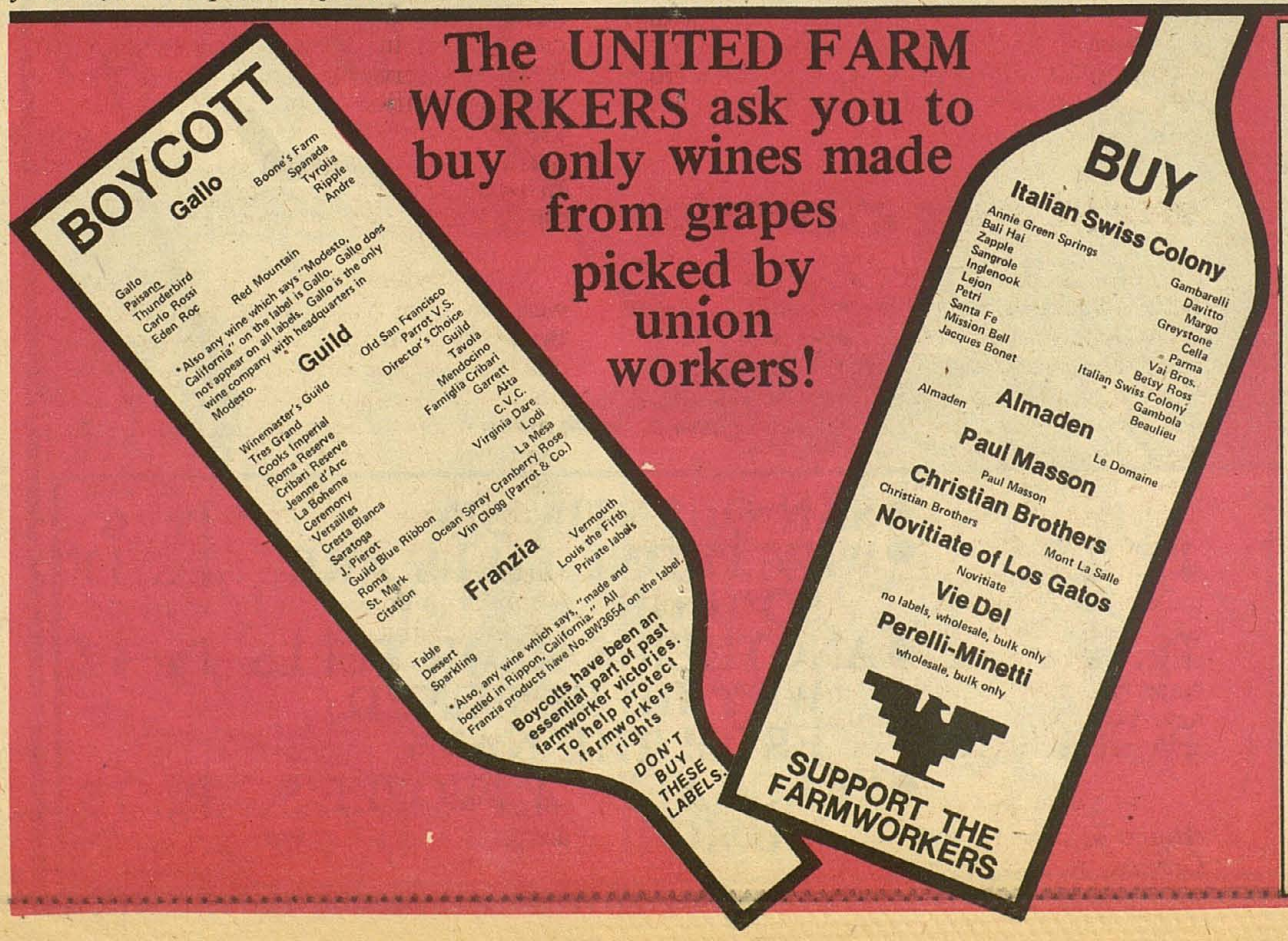
Since the jurors could not agree on a cause of death they must have felt the police version was a lie. The police version, which was given by Eveland and other witnesses, was that Beetle was involved in a robbery outside the Tower Tavern (2013 West North Ave.) and that when Eveland, who had been in the tavern drinking, went out to break up the robbery, he was shot by Beetle. Then Eveland shot Orlando.

The lawyers for the Quintana family called only Lucy Quintana, Orlando's widow, Norma Quintana Maravi, his sister to the stand. They both stated that in the hospital Orlando denied that he had shot Eveland or been involved in a robbery, but they couldn't say what had happened because they weren't there.

The coroner told the Quintana family lawyers that the witnesses who were going to testify about Beetle's character couldn't testify because their testimony was not relevant! Their testimony was the whole reason the Latin community was outraged by Beetle's death. A college graduate with a family and a well-paying job at the Association House, whose job was to work with gang members would not go around pulling an armed robbery!! The coroner said this evidence was irrelevant but the jury heard it anyway.

Despite this victory, the job of clearing Beetle's name is not finished. In the future the Quintana Defense Committee will hold a People's inquest in the Latin community and will investigate the medical attention Beetle received at St. Mary's Hospital. Finally the Defense Committee wants to start a scholarship fund to send Latino students to law school.

ORLANDO QUINTANA LIVES



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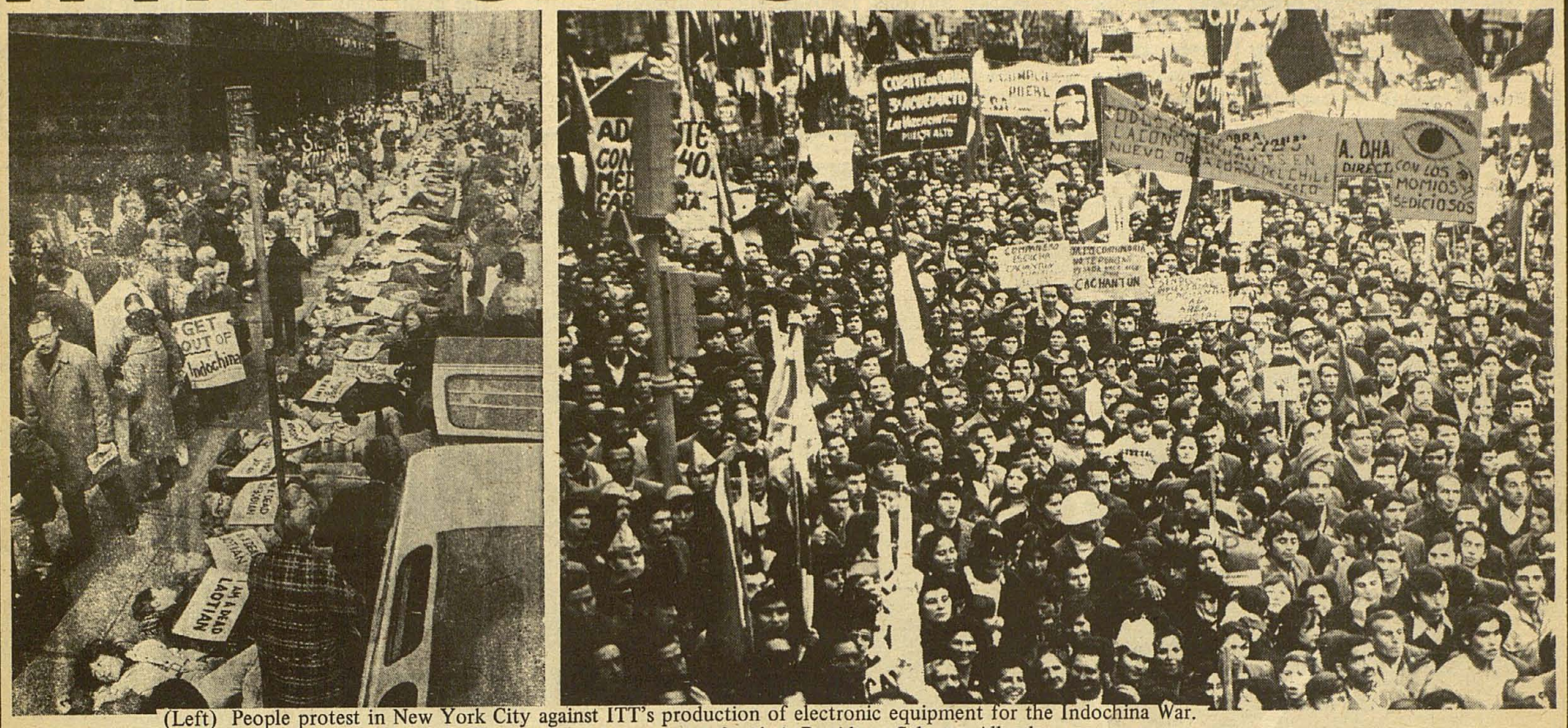
ITT: A POLITICAL MONSTER



(Left) People protest in New York City against ITT's production of electronic equipment for the Indochina War.
(Right) Working people in Chile demonstrate their support for their President, Salvator Allende.

Recently, Hortensia Allende was in Chicago to explain the real story behind the death of her husband, Salvador Allende, the ex-president of Chile, who was overthrown by the right wing military coup. Since the coup (which occurred on September 11, 1973) all political parties have been outlawed, labor unions have been suppressed, inflation has risen drastically. Many university deans have been dismissed, and campuses have been taken over by the military. Radio, T.V., and newspapers were also taken over by the military, and there is no freedom of expression.

Mrs. Allende explained how U.S. corporations, the Pentagon and the Central Intelligence Agency aided in the junta's takeover of the country.

The U.S. corporation most directly involved in the junta takeover was International Telephone and Telegraph (I.T.T.). While most people in the U.S. have heard of I.T.T., they don't know about the methods and tactics that I.T.T. uses to get what it wants. The following article will explain how big business (particularly I.T.T.) tries to dominate the world to make profits at the expense of the people.

I.T.T. was founded in 1920 by Sosthenes Behn, an Americanized Dane. Behn and his brother started out as sugar brokers in Puerto Rico, but acquired a tiny Puerto Rican telephone company as payment for a bad debt. After World War I the Behn brothers founded a small company with a big name, International Telephone and Telegraph, which was deliberately named to confuse it with American Telephone and Telegraph, which operates phones in America.

His first major expansion came in Spain in 1923 when the dictator, Primo De Rivera, chose I.T.T. to run the Spanish telephone system. By 1933 I.T.T. owned and operated telephone systems all over the world.

worked with Nazis

In 1933, Behn went to see the new Chancellor of Germany, Adolph Hitler. Behn was eager to work with the Nazis, to ensure the success of I.T.T. in Germany. One of the German I.T.T. directors was Kurt Von Schroeder of the Stein Bank who later became a general in the S.S. (the secret Nazi police). As Germany prepared for war, I.T.T. grew rapidly.

In 1938, Lorenz (German I.T.T.) acquired a 28% share in the Focke-Wulf company, whose bombers were to wreak havoc on Allied convoys. Behn also had profits from the German I.T.T. reinvested in new buildings and machinery engaged in the production of armaments.

In 1942, I.T.T. laboratories in New Jersey invented the high frequency direction finder to detect German submarines. So while I.T.T. Focke-Wulf planes were bombing Allied ships, and I.T.T. lines were passing information to German submarines, I.T.T. direction finders were saving U.S. ships from German torpedoes. I.T.T. was helping both Germany and the U.S.

world wide expansion

On the day of the liberation of Paris, Behn came around to French I.T.T. factories in an American uniform. Supposedly he was a communications expert advising the U.S. Army, but, in reality, he was inspecting and reestablishing I.T.T. in Western Europe. Now remarkably I.T.T. presents itself as an innocent victim of World War II. In 1967, I.T.T. managed to obtain $27 million in compensation from the U.S. for war damage to its factories in Germany, including $5 million for damage to its Focke-Wulf plants on the basis that they were American property bombed by Allied bombers. If the Nazis had won, I.T.T. in Germany would have been Nazi, but since they lost it appeared as American.

In 1956, Behn left I.T.T. The man chosen to succeed Behn was Harold S. Geneen, an executive from Boston with a flair for making profits. Geneen's policy was for I.T.T. to immediately acquire property all over the world. These properties would be almost anything as long as it showed a promise of high growth (ie. more profits for I.T.T.). In 5 years I.T.T. built up a vast conglomerate of companies, whose only common factor was profits. These companies began to overlap so that one could could help the other like Avis Rent-A-Car, Sheraton Hotels, etc. By 1969 I.T.T. had 331 subsidiary corporations and another 708 subsidiaries of subsidiaries. I.T.T. had factories in 27 countries and operations in 70 countries. I.T.T. also has its own intelligence service to destroy I.T.T.'s enemies.

the GOP convention

In 1971 the Republican and Democratic parties were looking for cities to have their conventions in. Because San Diego, Calif., is very conservative Nixon wanted the Republican convention to be held there. So did the business leaders of San Diego who could make lots of money off of the convention. In order to get the convention there, San Diego had to put up $800,000.

At the same time that the Republicans were choosing a site for their convention, the Justice Department was investigating charges that I.T.T.'s purchase of Hartford Insurance Company was a violation of the anti-trust laws. So Harold Geneen volunteered to put up $400,000 (of the necessary $800,000) to get the Republican convention in San Diego. Nixon liked this and so did I.T.T. who owned 3 hotels in San Diego. Nine days after Geneen's donation to the Republican convention, the anti-trust suit was dropped against I.T.T. Geneen liked this. It was a clear case of a $400,000 bribe.

However, when news of this deal leaked out, the convention was quickly moved to Miami Beach, Florida. This is only one example of how I.T.T. buys political favors.

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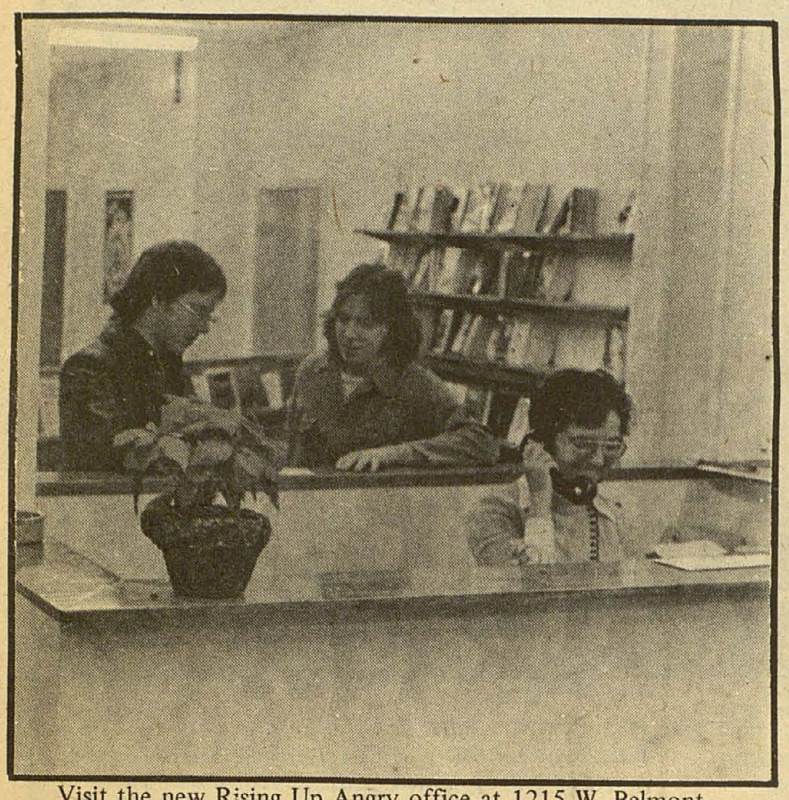
VISIT THE NEW RISING UP ANGRY OFFICE

The new Rising Up Angry office is located at 1215 W. Belmont (near Racine and Belmont). The office hours are: Mondays and Wednesdays from 1pm to 9pm and Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10am to 6pm. We are closed on Sundays. The office is set up to serve the needs of the people. For instance on Wednesday nights we have legal clinic there from 7 to 9pm. In the front of the office is our bookstore, Right on Books, where you can choose from a large selection of books, buttons, records, and pamphlets. Everyone is invited to stop by the office for whatever reason: just to check it out; to pick up papers to sell in your community, workplace or school; to find out how to get involved in our various activities; or just to rap and find out more about Rising Up Angry and our programs to serve the people. The main thing is that the office is there to help us help the people to get together to make those changes that are so necessary for us all to live decent lives. We'll be looking forward to seeing you!



Visit the new Rising Up Angry office at 1215 W. Belmont.

Guests at the Open House of the new Rising Up Angry Office.

Legal Clinics

The **Rising Up Angry Legal Program** deals with criminal cases, housing, welfare, civil cases, divorce, military, consumer fraud, labor law, or just hassles of any kind with the law. Our lawyers are inexpensive and sometimes free. No one is turned away for lack of money.

There are 2 legal clinics in Chicago:
South Side, call 472-1791 for information.
North Side, 1215 W. Belmont
7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Wednesday nights
Call 472-1791 for information.

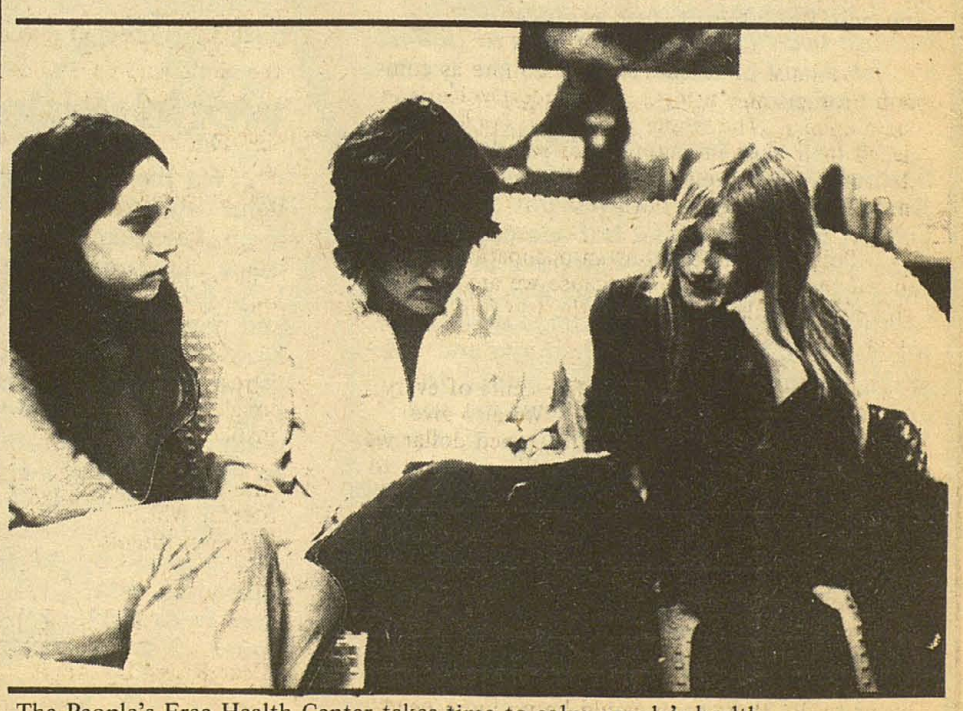
Tenants testify at the People's Tribunal on Nov. 30, 1972: the result was the indictment of the notorious slumlords, the Gutman Brothers, for criminal management of their buildings in Uptown. The Rising Up Angry Legal Program continues to serve the people.

Free Health Care

The **Fritzi Englestein People's Free Health Center** at 2747 N. Wilton Avenue is a Rising Up Angry Program. The Clinic provides free medical care (mainly in the Clinic's neighborhood due to limited facilities). When patients cannot be treated at the Clinic, we send patient advocates with them to other medical institutions to make sure they get good care. The Clinic is open on:

Tuesday nights, 6 to 9 p.m.
Wednesday nights, 6 to 9 p.m.
Thursday nights, 6 to 9 p.m.

For information call 750-9408 during clinic hours.



The People's Free Health Center takes time to solve people's health problems and gives its patients an example of what good health care should be like for all people.

how you can help

editorial

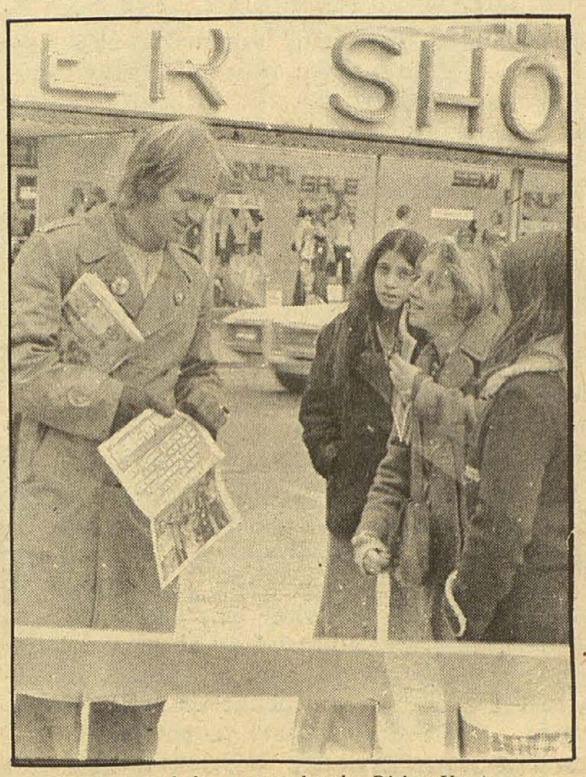
Lots of People ask us: "How can I help? I don't like the way things are going and I know that there needs to be a change. But But I just don't know of any way someone like me can help Rising Up Angry." The first answer to that question is that everyone can contribute something. If we are ever going to make the huge changes we need, millions of us will have to work together. Secondly, it is never too early to act; to aid the revolutionary struggle. So we want to use this opportunity to list a number of ways that people can get involved with Rising Up Angry.

The most obvious way to help is to get involved in one of our ongoing projects such as: (1) Free People's Health Center; (2) Legal Program; (3) Jewel Boycott; (4) STP Newspaper Distribution. Just call up the office and tell the person who answers what program you are interested in and someone in the program will get in touch with you.

Another thing you can do is to help spread the word to your family, friends and co-workers. You can do this by coming by the office and picking up a bunch of issues of RUA which you can sell at your school, job or neighborhood. Or you could set up a rap group with your friends or family and invite someone from RUA to come and talk. If you belong to a church group, labor union, student council, block club, etc. you could arrange to have a speaker from RUA come.

If you have any skills (typing, mechanics, carpentry, etc.) and have some free time we can always use volunteers. Just call the office and leave your name and what you want to do.

If you don't have too much time to donate, but have access to free or inexpensive office supplies, such as paper, pens, paper clips, typewriters, typewriter ribbons, etc. we can always use them. Even if you have stuff you don't think we can use, call us up and check it out, maybe it's just what we need.



One way to help - come by the Rising Up Angry office and pick up a bunch of papers to sell at your school, job, or neighborhood.

We always need money. 90% of our income comes from the newspapers we sell, fundraising events, and donations. In other words, we depend on the people to survive. Every time you buy a paper that helps the free people's health center grow. If you have a few extra dollars we'll always accept a donation no matter how small. Better yet, get some friends together and have a rummage sale, a bake sale, a dance or a car wash with part of the money you make to go to RUA or one of the programs.

The tremendous growth of RUA over the past years has been due entirely to the amount of time, energy, spirit and money that people have donated. As the energy crisis leads us into recession, as Nixon leads us from one catastrophe to another, it is time for us to come together more powerfully than ever to show the people that there are other people who care and whose concern is helping others rather than ripping them off. Your help will make the slogan "All Power to the People" a reality.

We are looking forward to hearing from you!

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE

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letters to Rising Up Angry

STILL NOT FREE

Dear Angry:

To The People:

America's bicentennial is fast approaching. Our country will be 200 years old but we won't be free.

We will never have the freedoms that our forefathers guaranteed us in our constitution until we become one mind once again. We have all become separated from one another. We have created class systems instead of unity.

We must unite ourselves once more as common brothers and sisters. Our loudest voice is in our numbers. The whole American peoples have placed their trust in incompetent people called politicians. We let them take the law into their hands and have let them run our lives.

Politics is nothing but an occupation which is one of the highest paying because we are the ones who pay the salaries, through the too numerous taxes that exist everywhere.

We give the government five cents of every precious dollar we spend to live. We also give them 30% or more of every hard earned dollar we make. We pay to park our cars. We even pay to live in our own house (property tax).

We have been fools all our lives to expect politics to solve our problems. Politics is what is responsible for the poor conditions we have around us now. If the politicians stopped fighting among themselves for control of this country and got down to doing what they are paid so handsomely by us to do, there soon would be no more need for them because we would be able to take care of ourselves, with the right surroundings. So they stall on making our lives easier by vetoing the legislation we need so badly. This vetoing prolongs what we want done to make us happier.

When we are not happy, and our lives become harder, and problems keep getting worse, we forget who is the real cause of it all and we start to blame each other and somehow we look back to the politicians for the answers. Since he knows what the real cause is he promises to help us if we vote for him come next election. And the circle goes on and on.

Let's get to know one another once more and eliminate our real problems together. Perhaps at our 200th Anniversary we may be truly able to call ourselved the United States of America.

Will we continue to be a nation of sheep or will we become free thinking individuals together once again.

The answer lies in our togetherness. "Angry" is just one of the few free peoples voices. And as long as we stand united we shall never fall to injustice.

The Freedom Cryer,
Steefer White
Chicago, Illinois

GI's LETTERS

Dear Rising Up Angry,

Although my wife and I are both active duty Navy, you will find the $5.00 subscription fee enclosed anyway.

In my four-years in the Navy and my wife's one and a half, we know a lot about military harassment. Maybe the money we're sending can help you stop some of it.

I'm having hassles with my command because I want to attend a 3 day drug education seminar held on base. The brass say I have no need to know about it. I guess wanting to know and wanting to help people who want help doesn't count in the Navy.

I think I've beaten it, though. I arranged with the man who is in charge of the seminar to attend it while I'm on leave.

Best Regards,
Ora and Marion
North Chicago, Ill.

Dear R.U.A.,

I was turned on to your paper by a friend of mine and I just wanted to say "Right On" and keep up the good work. I am a draftee serving my time in Germany (about 7 months left) and I would like to read your paper a lot more often because it's for real.

Power to the People,
Tom
Germany

Rising Up Angry regularly prints letters from our readers. Of course, not all letters that we receive can be printed. Letters that are signed receive first priority, although we will withhold names on request. We reserve the right to edit letters (primarily for length). Address all letters to: RUA, Box 3746, Merchandise Mart, Chicago, Illinois 60654.

SAN QUENTIN SIX

WRAPPED IN CHAINS FOR 26 MONTHS

Today in Marin County, California, six men -- Fleeta Drumgo, John Lang Spain, Luis Talamantez Willie Tate, Hugo Pinell, and David Johnson -- are fighting for their lives. It's a very difficult fight because these six men have had to appear in court wrapped in chains and bolted to the floor. When they testify they are chained so far from the microphone that they can hardly be heard. They have been beaten in court several times. At night they are returned to 6 foot by 10 foot cells with concrete floors and solid concrete walls and solid steel doors. The cells are infested with cockroaches and bedbugs. The men's home, called the Adjustment Center, prompted the former Chief psychiatrist at Soledad Prison (Calif.), Dr. Frank Rundle to say: "I don't think a place more destructive of a man's mental health could be devised if we tried." So you see these six men -- called the San Quentin 6 -- are having a very difficult time fighting for their lives. They need our help.

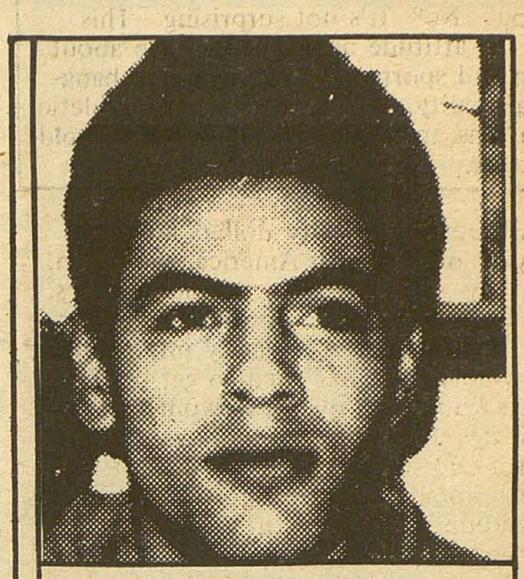
On August 21, 1971 Black revolutionary and world famous author, George Jackson, was fatally shot in the back by San Quentin, California prison guards. That same day three guards and two other inmates were found dead. The prison officials needed scapegoats and chose the most politically active prisoners. So the San Quentin 6 are now charged with murder, conspiracy to murder, to escape and to possess firearms. There is little or no evidence to support the charges against these six brothers.

When the indictments were handed down by the Marin County Grand Jury on October 1, 1971, one grand juror, in an unprecedented move resigned in protest over the indictments. Two other grand jurors walked out of the grand jury session. One of them declared: "What this Grand Jury does is not justice, but vengence."

Once the charges were brought against these brothers, the judge would not appoint the attorney who the brothers wanted to represent them. It was only after a long struggle that the brothers were allowed to have the lawyers of their choice represent them.

The six have been appearing in court for the past 26 months wrapped in chains. Now a motion is being heard to throw out the charges due to the unconstitutional composition of the Grand Jury, which did not represent a cross section of the population of Marin County. Numerous experts -- sociologists, political scientists, etc. -- have testified that the Grand Jury excluded working class, Black and Latin people. As the brothers have taken the witness stand to testify, they have been chained so far from the microphone that they can hardly be heard.

What is happening to these six men is nothing resembling due process, justice, or innocent until proven guilty. They are being railroaded -- despite the facts. Whether the basic rights of these brothers continue to be trampled on; whether they are treated as men rather than animals and slaves depends largely on us, on the kind of unjustice we'll allow to go on unchecked. The Watergate "horror stories" have taught us that justice has no meaning to the powerful. It's only if we speak and act that the San Quentin Six can be freed. Write Judge Henry J. Broderick, Marin County Superior Court, Dept. 3, San Rafael, California, demanding the chains be removed from the San Quentin Six and the trial be moved out of Marin County so the brothers can get a fair trial.



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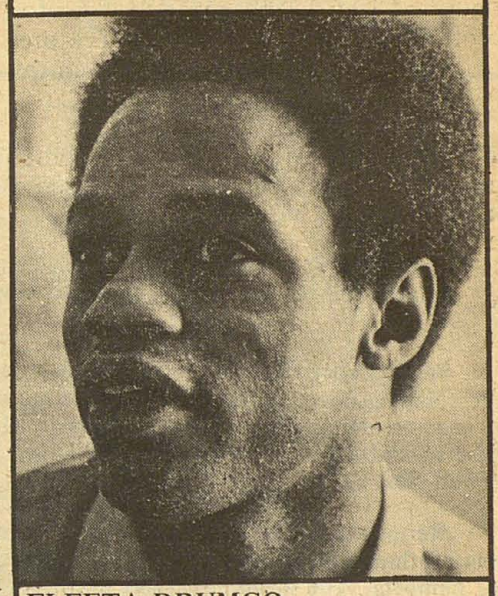
LUIS TALAMANTEZ



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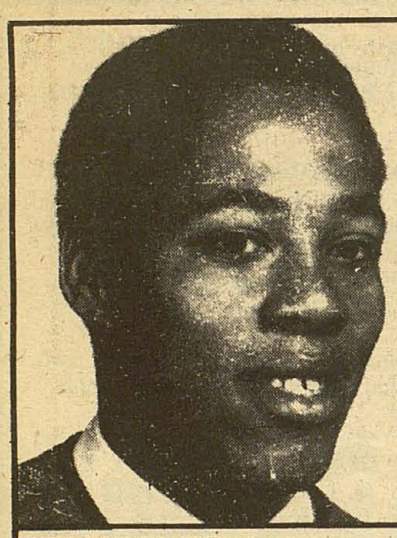

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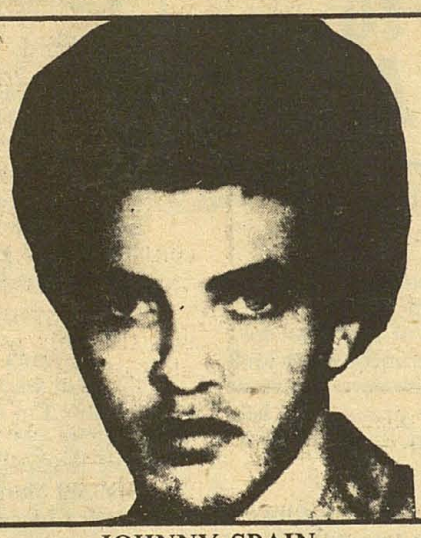

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U.N. DECLARES PUERTO RICO A COLONY OF U.S.

The Puerto Rican people won a tremendous victory in their struggle for independence last month when the United Nations General Assembly approved a report that declared Puerto Rico a colony of the U.S. Although the U.S. claims that Puerto Rico is a "free associated state," the Puerto Rican people never had a choice in the matter. Ever since Puerto Rico was taken over by the U.S. in 1898, the Puerto Rican people have been struggling for the independence of their nation. On December 14, 1973, 104 nations agreed that Puerto Rico was in fact a colony, while only five nations disagreed. What this means is the overwhelming majority of the nations in the UN feel that the fight for independence in Puerto Rico is a justified struggle and the U.S. has no right to be there.

What were some of the arguments that persuaded all of these nations that the US was oppressing Puerto Rico? Some facts: 80% of the Puerto Rican economy is controlled by the US; 24 US owned chain stores account for 90% of all sales in Puerto Rico; salaries in Puerto Rico are 1/3 of what salaries in the US are, while the cost of living is higher in Puerto Rico; the rate of profit for US corporations operating in Puerto Rico is three times greater than rate of profit in the US. The US also uses Puerto Rico as a military base. All of these facts plus many more demonstrate beyond a doubt that Puerto Rico is a colony of the US, not a "free associated state."

Being recognized by the rest of the world as a colony gives strong backing to the struggle for Puerto Rican independence from the US. When the US was a colony of England and got tired of being exploited ("taxation without representation"), the American people did everything they could to become a free, independent nation. That is just what is happening in Puerto Rico, and all of us who believe in freedom and justice for all people should stand with the majority of the people of the world supporting the independence of Puerto Rico.

Women and Sports

A recent survey asked hundreds of women to name ten men sports heroes and ten women sports heroes. Most could name ten men -- none could name ten women. Can you? No? It's not surprising. This shows the attitude most people have about women and sports. But women are changing that reality, despite attempts by athletic associations, male athletes, and men to hold them back.

Although billions of dollars are spent every year on sports in America, even men, unless they are rich or exceptional athletes, have a difficult time finding sports facilities to use. For women it is nearly impossible. Every woman who has tried to get involved in sports knows the obstacles women face: no facilities, being banned by laws, regulations, traditions, or by the hostility of men who feel women have no right being in gyms or playgrounds. And it's not simply a matter of women getting second best -- women have been so completely isolated from athletics that most never even think about trying to get into sports.

Discrimination Against Women In Sports

Women are discouraged from becoming interested in sports in two ways -- materially (lack of coaching, gyms, money, etc.) and psychologically. Most of us are aware that sports are run for men. Here's a few examples of how: women receive less than 1% of money allocated by federal and local governments for sports. In one large city, the 1970 high school athletic budget was $90,000 for boys, $200 for girls. In 1971 the girls budget was cut out altogether. Some states have no provisions at all for athletics for girls in high school. The organization that regulates mens amateur sports has a budget of $1.5 million and a staff of 42. The corresponding organization for women has a national budget of $24,000 with a staff of 1. 50,000 men a year go to college on athletic scholarships worth more than $100 million. Less then 50 women in the whole country are on athletic scholarships. Coaches and officials for women make half as much, and professional women athletes (from tennis to roller derby) make less than half as much as men. And the Congress of the U.S. recently passed a special law forbidding girls from playing in little league baseball.

The pyschological restraints on women are just as bad. Women are taught at a young age that avoiding sports altogether is the easiest thing to do; that sports is no place for women. A girl who tries a sport and fails is so ridiculed that she is not likely to ever try again. And if she does well her womanhood is questioned and she is treated like some kind of freak. Women are taught that sports are "impractical" for them and "meant for boys." There is a fourteen year old girl in Maryland who is one of the best woman high jumpers in America, but she is not allowed to go to gym class because her school requires home economics for girls instead. A girl in Connecticut was ahead of all her boy competitors in a distance race when race authorities pulled her right off the track. Women are not supposed, or expected, to do well in sports. At the last Olympics, the TV announcer consoled the audience back home about the American women's generally poor showing, "our women are better looking, that's what counts." Even if a woman does well, it is treated as an accident. Micki King, champion diver, was paid the "supreme compliment" -- a coach said she "dives like a man." The truth is there aren't five men in the world who can dive as well as her. An American male weight lifter summed up the way most coaches and many men feel about women athletes, when he commented on the selection of Olga Connelly to carry the flag at ceremonies at the Olympics (she was chosen because she had been to the most Olympics of any American). The weight-lifter said "The flag bearer should be a man athlete, a warrior. A woman's place is at home."

Attitudes About Women and Sports

There are three basic arguments that are used to keep women out of sports. If you are a woman, think how often you come up against one of them. If you are a guy, think how often you have used them yourself. 1. Sports are physically bad for women. 2. Women aren't any good at sports. 3. Women aren't interested in sports anyway. All three are lies.

Scientific study and practice shows that sports are good for women. And if women sometimes appear not to be good athletes it is because they weren't coached. Those who have been trained excel. For example, a Beth Miller can run better, a Micki King can dive better, a Joan Joyce can pitch a softball better than 100 million men in America. Anyway, it doesn't matter who is better or how good someone is, since a poor athlete can enjoy sports as much as a good athlete. As for women not being interested in sports, this too is a myth that comes from lack of opportunity. In Tampa, Florida, the first womans softball team was recently organized. One thousand women showed up, making 68 teams. In Dallas, Texas a boxing coach had more women turn out, 300, than for any of the mens programs. In Kansas, 14,000 women participated in the four regional track meets held for the first time. In Iowa, girl's basketball is so popular it is broadcast across the state on television.

Things Are Changing

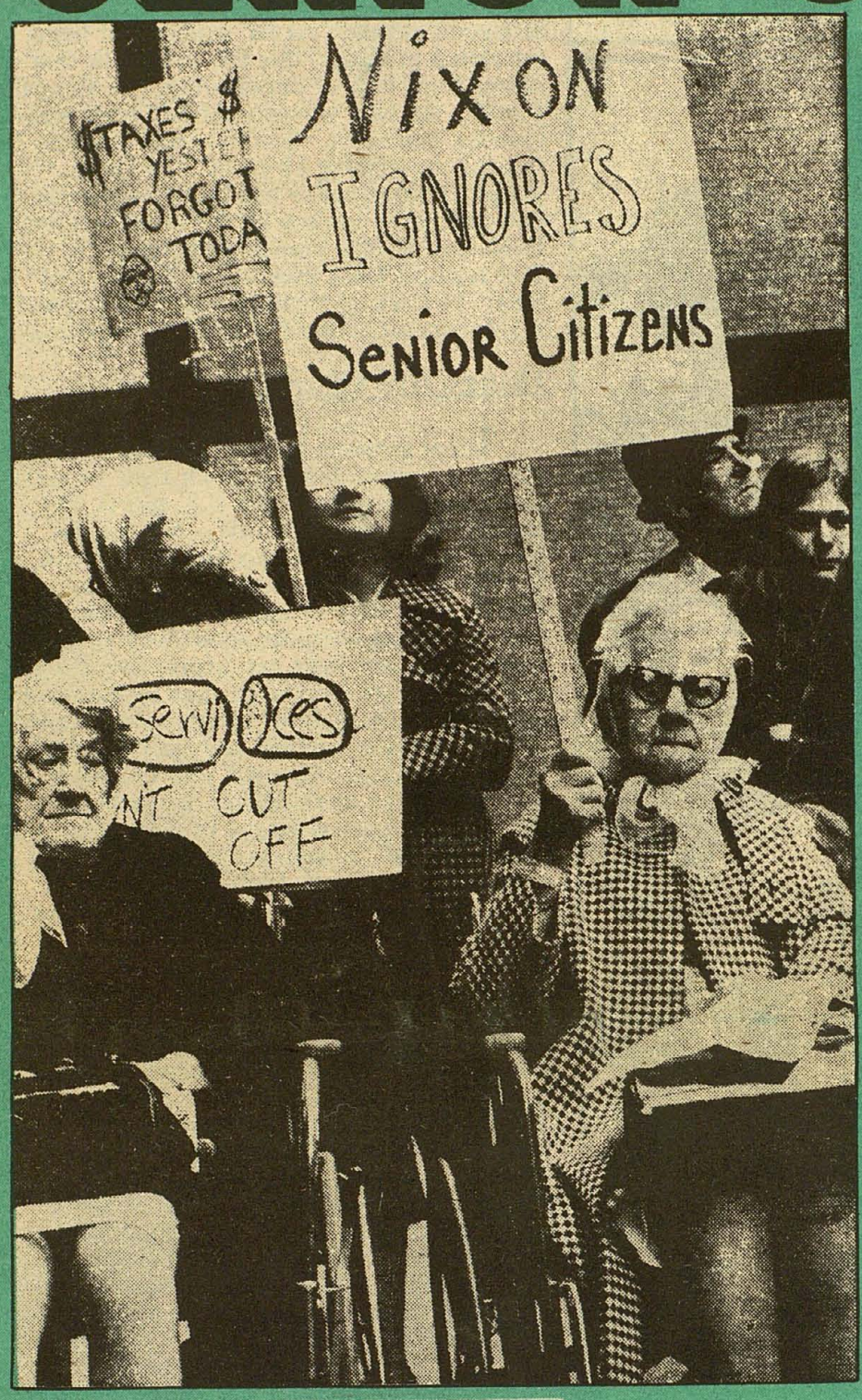
Other societies around the world recognize that women have as much right to enjoy sports as men. But in the U.S. sports, like everything, is run for profit -- not for the benefit of the people. So the government, athletic directors, and sports authorities (99½% men) cling as tightly as they can to their backward attitudes about women and sports, and they fight any progressive changes. But, women are forcing changes in the whole society and the field of sports is no exception. The little league baseball law against girls is being challenged. An eight year old sister was just named as an all-star linebacker in the pee-wee football league in Baltimore. Women across the country are starting their own sports leagues and self-defense classes. Professional women athletes are demanding equality with men.

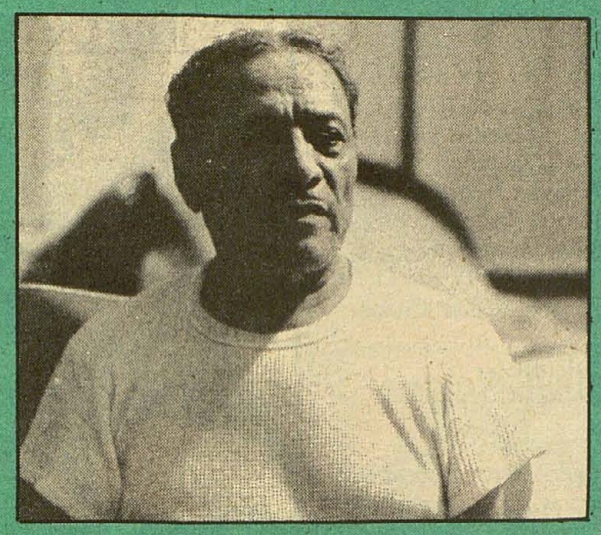
People can see that women can be great athletes -- such as the late Babe Didrikson, perhaps the greatest athlete in American history. And people can see women becoming not just champion athletes, but at the same time leading the fight for human justice around the world. Gold medal Olympian Wyomia Tyns dedicated her medal, on the winners stand, to people everywhere struggling for freedom. And Olga Connelly, the great Olympic champion, organized thousands of athletes from all countries to petition Nixon to end the war in Indochina.

Let's end with one last story. In a recent local track meet, athletes, men and women, Black and white, were assembled from across the country. The last women's race was the mile relay, each person running a quarter mile. One team was so superior that it decided to let a younger, chubbier member of the team who rarely got a chance to race, run the final anchor leg. After three laps, the baton was handed to this young sister, who had a lead of a hundred yards. But her lead grew slimmer and slimmer. At the last turn, tired, she was ahead by only a few steps. Her teammates, runners from other teams, coaches, and spectators were on their feet next to the track, yelling for the young sister to keep going. With a final lunge she crossed the finish line first by a fraction of a second. She collapsed from exhaustion and cried from joy as people rushed to congratulate her. This is just one of endless stories about how sports can bring out the best in people. Anyone who saw it knows sports is for everyone, not for just a few. And if we, women and men alike, are willing to change the attitudes put in our heads by a sick society, and if we are willing to take the steps necessary to change that sick society, a society that divides and exploits us even when it comes to games, then sports, and other things, can be for everyone.

Friendship First - Competition Second

SENIOR CITIZENS: FIGHT FOR BETTER LIVES





Mary Lee, who is 77 years old, worked at American Envelope Co. for 45 years. She receives no pension because a good pension plan was introduced at the company only the year before she retired. She is considered ineligible for any back pension benefits for the years she did work. Her social security check is only $200.00 a month. Her situation is similar to that of thousands of senior citizens across the country.

The elderly make up about 10% of the total U.S. population. That is a very large number of people indeed, and it is revealing to see how they are treated in what is supposed to be the most affluent country in the world.

The vast majority of the aged are salaried workers who in most cases are involuntarily retired at the age of 65. "Involuntary retirement" is a nice term to describe being fired simply because one has reached a certain age, regardless of the quality of one's work. Such a situation has two main results:

1. The aged, particularly if they are poor, have to rely on social services provided by federal or state agencies.
2. The aged must find completely new ways to use their energies since their jobs have been taken from them.

We need only look at the facts to see how inadequately the needs of the elderly are met in this country.

economic needs

The elderly have a combined income of about $60 billion a year, which is an average of $3,000 per year per person. If you subtract the amount spent on health care ($692.00), housing, food, and transportation from this, only $300.00 a year is left for clothing, recreation, and other expenses.

In 1969 half of the families headed by older persons had a yearly income of less than $4,803.00. The median income for an elderly person living alone or with non-relatives was only $1,855.00 a year.

According to census statistics, five million aged live below the official poverty line, and every fifth person living in poverty is 65 years or over. In addition, two million persons between 55 and 64 live below the official poverty line. Together, these groups make up 28% of the total number of people living in poverty in the United States.

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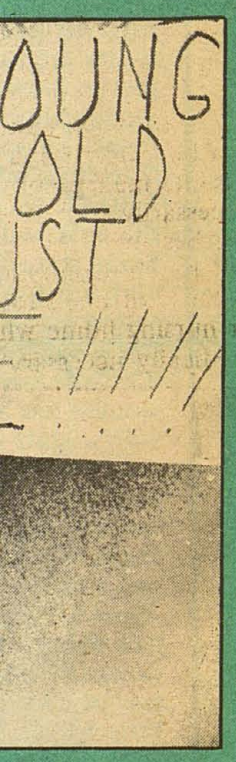

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health care

In her study "Social Service Needs of the Aged", Carole Collins writes: "Medical Costs in the U.S. increased to $70 billion in 1970, or 11% more than in the previous year .... 60% of this growth is directly attributed to inflation ...." Health care for the elderly in 1969 cost $692.00(average), or six times what a person under 19 years old paid and 2 1/2 times that of a person 19 to 64 years old. Hence, the aged have much larger (and forever rising) medical bills while living, in most cases, on $150.00 to $200.00 a month social security.

Of these medical costs, Medicare and Medicaid pays only 47% of total medical costs, and even then only hospital bills. Since Medicare does cover only hospital bills, to have even some of their medical bills paid the elderly poor must commit themselves to being treated in hospitals, and this can be a horrifying experience. This benefits the medical profession but does not necessarily provide the senior citizen with the best medical care. What dignity can be felt by an economic prisoner restricted, because of one's low income, to a hospital or nursing home whether or not it is medically necessary?

housing

Housing programs supported by government funds provide only 10% of the housing needed by the elderly in cities, and only 2% needed by those in rural areas. Private housing projects are not generally designed to meet the specific needs of the elderly and are priced completely out of range of an older person's income.

In Chicago the Chicago Housing Authority has 13,000 units available for senior citizens. In 1973 the CHA "froze" the number of units that would be available to elderly people -- that means there won't be any more CHA units for senior citizens. There is now a waiting list of 13,000 to get into the already existing apartments. That means there are as many senior citizens on the waiting list as there are living in CHA housing.

company pensions & social security

But what of company pensions and Social Security benefits? In the first place, pension plans, social security, company insurance plans, etc. are not gifts. We pay for these out of our paychecks, and deserve every penny we get when we "retire". And we get very little indeed.

Social Security benefits average $161.00 a month, hardly a living wage, and the minimum is $84.50 for an individual. (Even with the 11% increase in social security benefits that was just passed, the minimum will still be a meager $90.40 in March and $93.80 in June. Hardly a major improvement.)

While there are some wage earners who receive cost-of-living raises (rarely in line with the cost of living), the elderly have no way to adjust their income to today's runaway inflation.

Pensions have provided some income in the past, but many older workers cannot receive them since they have either changed jobs or been laid off work. According to Dr. James Schulz, who has written a study on the elderly, by 1980 only one third to two fifths of all the elderly will receive any income from private pensions. And 75% of the elderly receiving private pension money will have incomes of less than $2,000.00 a year.

Lack of good, inexpensive housing, medical care, legal aid, etc., are all problems faced by a majority of people in this country. The elderly, however, experience them to a greater degree than many of us.

Perhaps hardest hit are Black and other non-white people over the age of 65. While only 23% of all white aged live below the official poverty line, 48% of all non-white aged are living in poverty.

Because of this country's racism, which deprived many Blacks of a good education, they have not been able to land the higher paying jobs. The result is lower social security and pension benefits when they "retire".

Women, too, are paid less than men in most cases and must face the same problem.

fighting back

The picture is not all gloomy, however. The elderly, like many other people all over the U.S., are fighting to gain the rights and dignity they deserve as human beings.

In Philadelphia, Maggie Kuhn started the Gray Panthers in order to fight agism (discrimination because of age). It has a steering committee in Chicago which recently joined with the Metropolitan Senior Citizens Senate to organize a protest against Jewel supermarkets' high food prices.

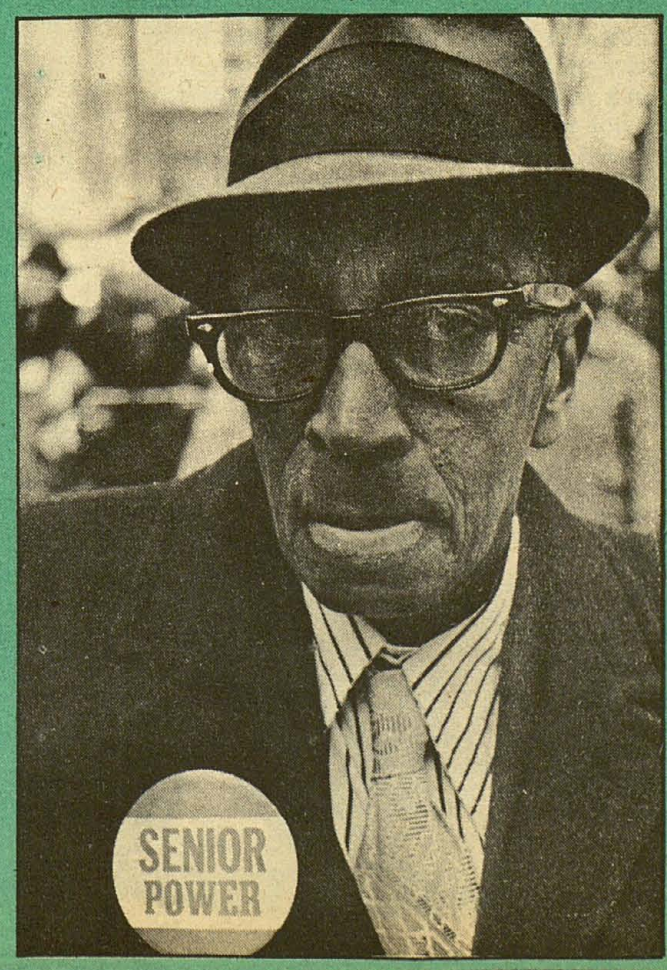
"Our oppressive, paternalistic society", says Ms. Kuhn, "wants to keep the elderly out of the way, playing bingo and shuffleboard. But we're challenging it. We're putting our bodies on the line."

According to Alice Adler, head of the Gray Panthers' Chicago steering committee, "We have a group of people working together forming a movement to bring about social change and opposing agism. The young as well as the old suffer from this kind of situation."

Right now the Gray Panthers are meeting with welfare officials to get an explanation of how a new bill in the Illinois House will affect people on welfare. The bill will take the aged, blind, and others off welfare and put them on a flat-grant system. It is likely that many people will get less than they are now getting on welfare.

The Senior Citizens Coalition, which is the Senior Citizen's branch of the Citizen's Action Program (CAP) had mass rallies and demonstrations which helped prevent the Crosstown Expressway from being started. If the Crosstown is built, many of these people's homes will be torn down along Cicero Ave.

Like many other people, senior citizens have learned through their many experiences, that it is the economic and political system that forces hardships on them. And they have also seen that it is only through this sort of active involvement in the struggle for human dignity that we will succeed in making this country a better place in which to live -- for young and old, women and men, Black, Red, Brown, Yellow and white alike.



Did you know that government food inspectors won't buy the same food they inspect? That the chickens we eat are fattened with arsenic before they are slaughtered? That our tomatoes are sprayed red?

Our Food Is Dangerous. Watch Out.

All of us who go to the supermarket realize that over the past few years something has happened to our food - the prices have skyrocketed and at the same time the quality and taste have fallen off. But most people know very little about why this is and about how our food is produced.

Agriculture in America has become big business. This means that in the past 15 years small farms are closing at the rate of 200 a week and are being replaced by huge corporate farms, which now control about 95% of the food we eat. These huge farms are owned and run by major companies, that care very little about food but care a lot about increasing their profits. For example, our hams are grown by I.T.T., our roast beef by John Hancock Insurance, many of our vegetables by Gulf Oil, our potatoes by Boeing Aircraft, and our peanuts by Getty Oil. These companies have bought into the food industry for one reason - to make money. The kind of job they are doing can be seen by looking even briefly at a couple of areas.

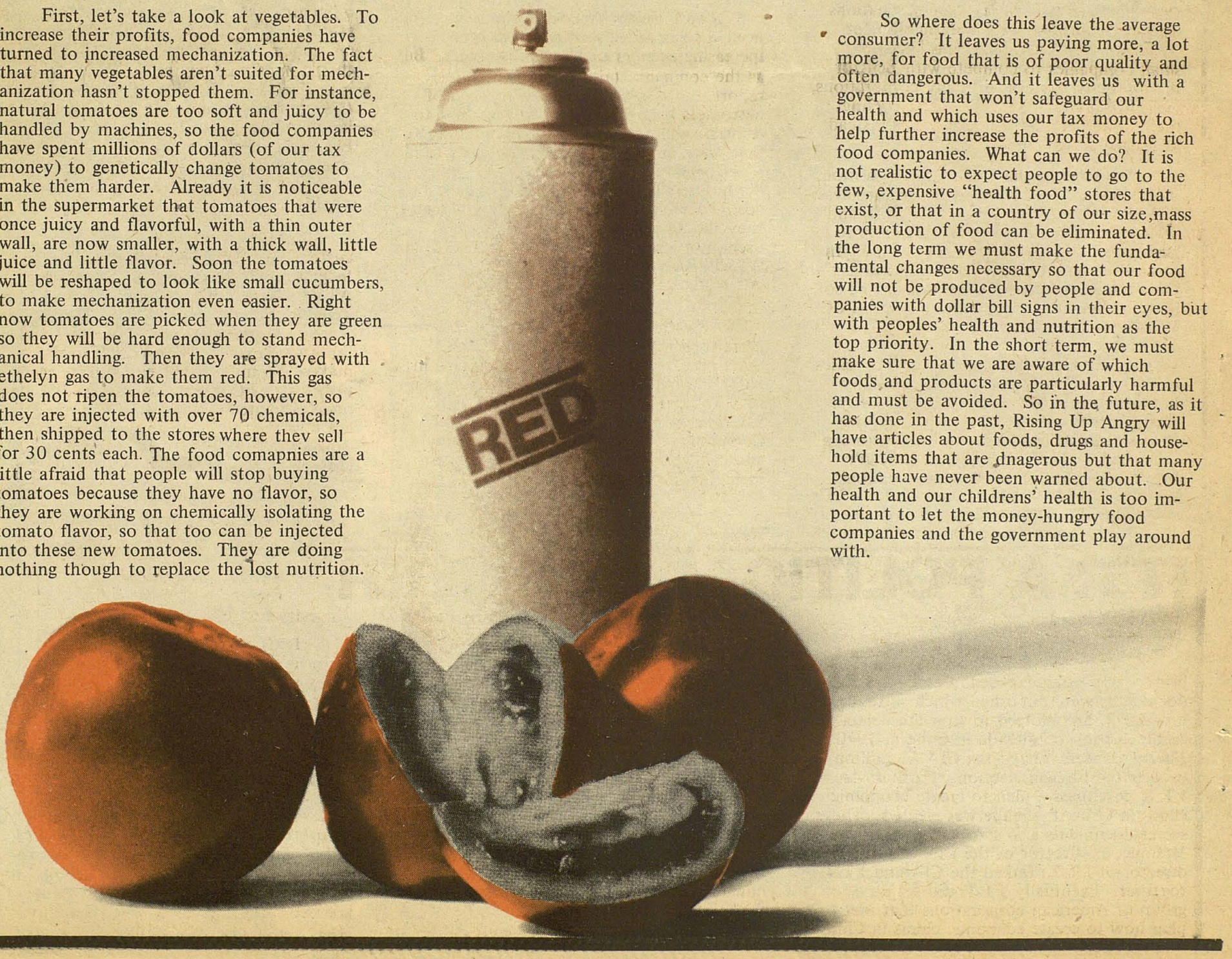
First, let's take a look at vegetables. To increase their profits, food companies have turned to increased mechanization. The fact that many vegetables aren't suited for mechanization hasn't stopped them. For instance, natural tomatoes are too soft and juicy to be handled by machines, so the food companies have spent millions of dollars (of our tax money) to genetically change tomatoes to make them harder. Already it is noticeable in the supermarket that tomatoes that were once juicy and flavorful, with a thin outer wall, are now smaller, with a thick wall, little juice and little flavor. Soon the tomatoes will be reshaped to look like small cucumbers, to make mechanization even easier. Right now tomatoes are picked when they are green so they will be hard enough to stand mechanical handling. Then they are sprayed with ethelyn gas to make them red. This gas does not ripen the tomatoes, however, so they are injected with over 70 chemicals, then shipped to the stores where they sell for 30 cents each. The food comapnies are a little afraid that people will stop buying tomatoes because they have no flavor, so they are working on chemically isolating the tomato flavor, so that too can be injected into these new tomatoes. They are doing nothing though to replace the lost nutrition.

Now let's look at the poultry industry, which has been completely reorganized to increase the profits of a few large food companies. Small growers have found they can't compete with these companies, such as Pillsbury, Continental Grain and Del Monte, and now must either work for them or go out of business altogether. Chickens are now raised this way - the companies periodically bring new born chicks and feed to the small growers, who then fatten them up for 9 weeks when the company picks them up and takes them to their plant to be slaughtered. A main fattening agent for chickens is the poison arsenic, which the company puts in the feed. Federal law prohibits use of arsenic in feed given to chickens just before they are slaughtered. But a survey by ABC-TV has shown that 3/5 of this final feed does contain arsenic. Yet the government has never brought a single charge for this against any company.

The slaughtering and processing procedures are all done mechanically. Government inspectors have 3 seconds to check each bird for 10 diseases, machine grease etc., and discard the bad ones for pet food. The companies put pressure on the inspectors, however, to speed up and allow diseased chickens through. Inspectors have testified that they have had their lives threatened by companies who insisted they let diseased chickens through. So it's no wonder chicken inspectors won't buy chickens.

We have looked at just two food areas. We could look at many others and find similar practices that show these food companies have little concern for our welfare, and, in fact, very often put out products they know are dangerous. To make things worse, the federal government is doing everything it can to help move the food industry in this direction - where a few corporation "hoods" get rich with little concern for the rest of us. Not only does the government not enforce its own loose safety regulations and not only does it give enormous tax breaks of over 200% to these food companies, but it also funnels our tax money money through the Agriculture Department to the companies, which in turn hire scientists and agriculture schools to genetically change foods, chemically isolate flavors, etc.

So where does this leave the average consumer? It leaves us paying more, a lot more, for food that is of poor quality and often dangerous. And it leaves us with a government that won't safeguard our health and which uses our tax money to help further increase the profits of the rich food companies. What can we do? It is not realistic to expect people to go to the few, expensive "health food" stores that exist, or that in a country of our size, mass production of food can be eliminated. In the long term we must make the fundamental changes necessary so that our food will not be produced by people and companies with dollar bill signs in their eyes, but with peoples' health and nutrition as the top priority. In the short term, we must make sure that we are aware of which foods and products are particularly harmful and must be avoided. So in the future, as it has done in the past, Rising Up Angry will have articles about foods, drugs and household items that are dnagerous but that many people have never been warned about. Our health and our childrens' health is too important to let the money-hungry food companies and the government play around with.



WHY PHONE BILLS ARE SO HIGH

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The U.S.'s communication system is dominated by one privately owned company, American Telephone and Telegraph (AT&T). For decades now over 80% of the phones installed and operated in the U.S. have been a part of AT&T's "Bell" system. Customers get milked for the benefit of AT&T's stockholders in a number of ways:

Though AT&T has a secure monopoly on residential phone service in the U.S., it faces a number of challenges to its control over the other half of the communications market: voice and data transmission for business. New technology has allowed small companies to compete with Bell for the inter-city business of many corporations, while some large companies are installing their own communications systems instead of leasing AT&T lines.

To undercut this budding competition, AT&T has *lowered* its rates for big business - "TELPAX", "Private Line", "WATS", and "WADS" are cut rate services available to large-volume corporate customers only. In some cases, the Federal Communications Commission has found these rates to be so low that they don't even cover costs. (FCC Decisions, Vols. 34, 35, 37.)

AT&T more than makes up the losses on these special discounts of business by increasing rates for residential users. Residential customers are obviously a captive market - unlike large corporations who can get around AT&T's monopoly, we can't afford to build our own communications systems. So we're sitting ducks for AT&T's numerous rate hikes and special charges. And AT&T pumps as much out of us as they can get away with.

In theory, public regulatory agencies are supposed to limit rate increases, but in most cases they turn out to be most responsive to AT&T's requests for more money. Between 1966 and 1971, intrastate phone rates went up $624 million, while in 1972 alone, the company got over $1 billion in rate increases.

AT&T claims this extra money is needed to improve service for an ever-increasing number of phone customers. But as the company states in its own annual report, the single fastest growing class of customers is large companies who want to transmit computer data over phone lines - the *same* users AT&T gives discounts to in an effort to undersell competition. Since big business benefits the most from the costly new investments in phone equipment, they should pay *more* than residential users, not less. (*Business Week,* 9/23/72; AT&T *Prospectus,* 6/2/71.)

AT&T's profits are supposed to be no more than a regulated percentage of its "rate base": the company's investment in plant and equipment, plus operating expenses. The percentage is set by state and federal regulatory agencies - the Federal Communications Commission, for example, allows AT&T to earn about 8% on investment for interstate services.

With such a "cost plus" set up, it's clearly in AT&T's interest to overstate its costs. If, for example, a switchboard costs $1,000 and AT&T is to get a profit of 8%, then the profit allowed on that particular switchboard would be $80 (8% of $1,000= $80). If AT&T overstates the switchboard's "cost" at $1,200, however, profits would be $96 (8% of $1,200 = $96). The more expensive the company's equipment, the more profit it's allowed.

The major tool in AT&T's repertoire of cost-inflating techniques is Western Electric, a manufacturer of phone equipment owned 100% by AT&T. Western Electric sells phone equipment to AT&T at prices 10-20% higher than comparable equipment from independent manufacturers. By jacking up the cost of the equipment it buys from its own subsidiaries, AT&T gains in two ways: 1)Western Electric's unregulated profits are consistently above average, and 2) AT&T's "costs" are increased and, therefore, its "cost plus" profits.

The people who lose, of course, are customers. According to lawyers for the federal General Services Administration, AT&T's New York subsidiary (New York Telephone) has overstated the value of its plant and equipment by some $800 million - which means New York Telephone makes $56 million in illegal profits every year. And FCC commissioner Paul Walker once estimated that Western Electric could cut its prices to AT&T by 37% and still earn a profit of 6% on its investment. (Joseph Goulden, *Monopoly*)

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ITT: A POLITICAL MONSTER

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Chile

At about the same time that I.T.T.'s bribery was being exposed, secret I.T.T. documents were published which showed how I.T.T. had plotted to stop the democratic election of Allende in Chile in 1970. Harold Geneen offered the CIA $1 million to stop the Chilean election. Furthermore, I.T.T. developed a plan to create economic chaos in Chile if Allende was elected. These secret documents also showed how John McCone, ex-director of the CIA and now a director of I.T.T., linked the CIA and I.T.T. together. Eventually I.T.T. did set up a group of American corporations that met to plan how to create economic chaos in Chile. Eventually, the plan I.T.T. suggested to the CIA for overthrowing Allende became a reality. A coincidence?

The reason I.T.T. was so concerned about the election of Allende was because in 1970 I.T.T. employed 6,000 workers in Chile and had assets worth $150 million. I.T.T. was afraid that a democratic government would nationalize the phone company and turn the profits back to Chile. This would hurt I.T.T., but help the people of Chile improve their standard of living. When Allende heard about the I.T.T. plot he immediately took over I.T.T. Right after the military murdered Allende, they said that Chile would again be open for American investment. Coincidence?

I.T.T. has consistently bought or destroyed politicians and governments when they stood in the way of I.T.T.'s profits. But I.T.T. is not an isolated case. In fact, its only the 9th largest corporation in the world. These large corporations such as General Motors, Ford, Exxon, etc. will stop at nothing to increase their profits. That's why there is Watergate, people starving, an energy crisis. The only way to stop the corruption caused by companies like I.T.T. and to rationally run an economy is to put control of these huge corporations in the hands of the people so that the people's interests are helped, not hurt. That's what we need to do.

Another Sailor Tells Why He Resigned from the Navy

"To me there is nothing in this country more repressive than the military. The average enlisted person is, for all intent and purposes, a SLAVE. They are treated more like a piece of property than as human beings."

(Norfolk, Va.) At 0830 On November 16, 1973 my wife hand delivered to my C.O. a letter which contained four pages of grievances against the Navy. It explained why I could no longer function as a member of the Armed Forces. It was my resignation!!!

It would require too much space to reproduce the entire paper in this article, but there are a few important parts that I would like to relate. It started out: ". . . I John E. McEnearney, Jr. do absent myself from my command with the intent to never again put on the uniform of the Armed Forces for the purpose of returning to duty. My intentions are to acquire an Honorable Discharge.

To me there is nothing in this country more repressive than the military. The average enlisted person is for all intents and purposes a SLAVE. They are treated more like a piece of property than as human beings. They are subjected to the daily whims of those in 'superior' positions. The system provides for their prosecution under the most trivial of circumstanses, yet makes redress of grievances the most difficult of procedures. Rights, which they supposedly protect for others are denied them on the grounds of 'military discipline' and ' the nature of it's (the military's) mission', All of this is a facade, a sham, a complex cover-up for a system which thinks that deprivation is the key to success in motivating people. A system, which employs as it's basic tool, fear."

Those of you who understand the navy way can quite easily recall innumerable incidents which prove this out, but there are those who for some reason or another have forgotten. For their benefit I will list a few of the more common repressive tactics employed by the military.

1. UCMJ- prejudicial against enlisted people.
2. Captains Mast - quiet and often unjust disposal of offenses;
3. Liberty Policy - it's considered a privilege, not a right.
4. Haircut Regs. - public display of conformity, daily reminder of subservience.
5. Seniority System - works on the basis of less work for more pay.
6. Searches and Inspections -often confused and more often violate your rights of privacy.
7. Saying Sir to Officers - makes you seem inferior.
8. etc. etc. etc. . . . . etc.

My questions to these harassments are: Why is it necessary to degrade people like this? Are 'lifers' so insecure of their significance in life that they must constantly belittle people? What can be gained by this antagonistic behavior?

The conclusions that I have reached are the result of 5 years of thoughtful consideration. I spent 4 years at the U.S. Naval Academy training to become an officer. I refused to accept a commission because I knew I could not enforce the Navy system. As a result I was forced to enlist for 2 years, as payment for my education. I was aware that it would be tough as an enlisted person, but I really didn't think it would be as bad it it is. With the training to be an officer and my present situation as an enlisted person, I have become very much aware of how the system uses fear tactics to exploit the enlisted ranks. It was only a matter of time until I was to realize that I could no longer tolerate an existence of this sort. Recently I have found that I don't stand alone.

Certain events in the past couple of months put me in touch with a group of dynamite people - the Defense Committee, a GI support group in Norfolk.

During my period of UA, which lasted 7 days there were many times when my wife needed support. She had to stay at our apartment and go to work so we could meet our financial needs. I couldn't be with her due to the constant surveillance. It's not often that I refer to police as "pigs", but under the circumstances I can find nothing more appropriate to call them. They constantly harassed my wife, The Shore Patrol had a 24 hour watch on our apartment, they patrolled the area, several times a day they would come to the door asking if I were there (knowing full well that I wasn't), they even went so far as to arrest a friend who was at the apartment (for disorderly conduct) because he wouldn't let them search the place (without a warrant). During those hard times various members of the Defense Committee came over and provided tremendous support and comfort.

One week after handing in my resignation I turned myself in to the Naval Station, Norfolk. With me were my wife, lawyer, members of the Defense Committee, other friends, and the press. It was necessary to surrender myself so that the Navy could be given the opportunity to process me for a discharge. I was immediately restricted until C.O.'s Mast was held the following week. (They wanted to contain me as much as possible.) While restricted, I was informed that if I really wanted out of the Navy they would process me for an HONORABLE DISCHARGE for reasons of UNSUITABILITY. As things progressed I have since been informed that I may not get the discharge. I went to C.O.'s Mast too and received the following: 1) 30 days restriction; 2) 30 days ED; 3) Busted 1 pay grade; and 4) $100 fine/month for 2 months. Although it seems as if they are stalling a bit, things said by Navy officials indicate that it is still probable. Without giving advance notice of whay my exact intentions are, I will say there is going to be trouble if they continue to "ignore" my resignation and don't discharge me.

Each of us has a responsibility to our conscience. Each of us will undoubtedly respond to the system.

by John McEnearney
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NEWS AT A GLANCE

National

*** Utilities Company Saves Energy -- Two Die**

An elderly couple (both over 90) living in upstate New York were late in paying their November utilities bill, so their gas and electricity were cut off. The next night they both froze to death.

*** Farm Workers Denied Rights**

The Supreme Court has refused to hear an appeal by the ACLU that migrant farm workers are denied "equal protection under the law" when they are excluded from unemployment insurance, collective bargaining rights and other social legislation, thus upholding a lower court decision that farm workers do not have the same human rights as other American working people.

Farmworkers - $50 weekly income, 800,000 children working in the fields, 800 deaths a year from pesticide poisoning, denied human rights by the Supreme Court.

*** Farah Pants Boycott Victory in N.Y.**

An agreement was reached between Amalgamated Clothing Workers representatives and Denby's clothing chain in Troy, N.Y., with Denby's agreeing to cancel it s usual $60,000 order for Farah Pants because of a threatened massive picket line outside the store. The only large retail store in New York City still carrying Farah Pants is Macy's, the next boycott target. Farah stock has dropped over 36 points since the strike of over 3,000 workers, mostly Chicanos, began 2 years ago.

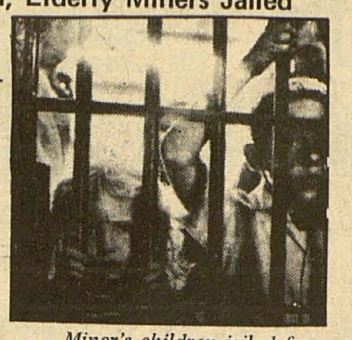
*** Oil Firms Gifts Bind Nixon**

Officials of 178 oil companies contributed almost $5million of the $60 million raised to re-elect Nixon in '72.

Rep. Les Aspin (D. Wis.) in a 58 page report said that 413 directors, senior officials and stockholders contributed $4,981,840. This figure does not include $268,700 given by the Rockefeller brothers who own stock in Exxon. Aspin said, "The big oil companies have Mr. Nixon in a double hammerlock; after their massive contributions there is little he can do to control them." Topping Aspin's list of contributions was Gulf Oil with $1,176,500.

*** Children, Women, Elderly Miners Jailed by Court**

A judge in Harlan County, Kentucky, has handed 16 women, children and retired miners sentences of 6 months for supporting United Mine Workers members striking against the Duke Power Company. The company has refused to sign contracts with the UMW and will only recognize the company-oriented Southern Labor Union.



-Miner's children jailed for supporting strike.

*** Police Searches Without Warrant OK'd**

The Supreme Court has given policemen broad new powers with its ruling that they can now make a thorough search, without a warrant, of anyone under arrest. This means the police now have the authority to search the person and car of anyone stopped for a traffic ticket.

*** Convene Kent State Inquiry**

One of four students murdered at Kent St. for protesting war in Indochina.

A federal grand jury investigation into the shooting of four Kent State students by National Guardsmen in 1970 has been convened in Cleveland, Ohio. The investigation is the result of public pressure brought to bear on the Justice Department, which, under indicted Attorney General John Mitchell refused to investigate the killings. A previous grand jury indicted 25 students and faculty rather than members of the National Guard responsible for the murders.

*** Playboy Bunnies Fired**

Five women have been fired as Playboy bunnies for trying to organize a union of women working for Playboy. Playboy says they were fired for projecting an image "unbecoming for a bunny."

*** High Price of Milk?**

A third Milk co-operative, the Mid-America Dairymen, Inc., has been accused and taken to court for monopolistic practices -- attempting to gain total control of the sale and price of milk in its Midwestern market area. The three milk co-ops also donated ½ million dollars to Nixon's re-election campaign in return for favors in milk pricing.

*** Youth "Lost" in Texas Jail**

A 16-year old Dallas boy was recently kept in solitary confinement in McKinney, Texas for more than 60 days without being given a court hearing, a chance to bathe, or a decent meal. He survived on doughnuts and TV dinners. Police and city officials jokingly claimed the boy was "lost by mistake" in the small city jail.

The World

*** European Common Market Supports Arab Demands**

The Foreign Ministers of the nine European Common Market countries last month issued a statement supporting Arab demands for an end to the occupation of Arab lands seized in June, 1967. This statement was another indication of decaying relations between the U.S., which unwaveringly supports Israel diplomatically and militarily, and the European nations.

*** Steadfast U.S. Support for Greece**

The Nixon Administration has shown its support for the new military dictatorship in Greece by endorsing a $24.5 million World Bank loan to the new regime. The message to the world is clear -- the U.S. opposed World Bank loans for the legally elected Allende government in Chile, but supports them for the right-wing dictatorship in Greece.

*** U.S. Pledges to Back Portugal's Wars in Africa**

The U.S. has made secret agreements with Portugal to support Portugal's colonial wars against the African people in return for use of Portugal's Azores Islands military base, used by the U.S. to supply arms to Israel. The U.S. is also supplying Portugal with oil in an attempt to undermine an agreement by the Arab oil-producing countries to stop oil shipments to both Portugal and South Africa.

*** Guinea-Bissau Joins Organization of African Unity**

The newly proclaimed Republic of Guinea-Bissau was recently admitted as the 42nd full member of the Organization of African Unity. The admission, sponsored by Algeria, was the first time that the O.A.U. has admitted a state before independence had been negotiated with the previous colonial power, in this case Portugal.

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WHAT'S GOING ON

Hope you're all still in good health, high spirits and still keeping on, keeping on. And all set for some righteous news.

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Did you all have a good Christmas? Well, we hope the New Year goes your way. Every one is making their New Year's Resolutions and many are getting involved in the struggle for Human dignity and justice for everyone. I hope you do too.

If you live in or near **Evergreen Park**, you should check out the **Mustang Mangler**, a very hip underground paper that's put out by the **Evergreen Park Student Union.**

By the way if anyone else is putting out an underground paper at their school or plant send us a copy so we can inform other people who don't get a chance to see your paper.

People over 65 on welfare can get staple foods at the Bread Shop, 3400 N. Halsted, at cost (what it costs the Bread Shop) plus five cents per food. Hand-made bread, grains, flour, cereals, eggs, beans, honey, and oil are all available.

In the way of birthdays, everyone from **Albany Park** wishes Happy Birthday to **Kathy Bresinger** who just became sweet sixteen. Same to **Sandra Hnatko** who turned 16 on January 8th, and **Julie Tomasyewski** who will be 16 on February 2nd. Many happy returns to **Anita Van Ryswyk** whose birthday was December 21st, and to **Kathy & Brian McCarthy** who will turn 17 on January 16th.

Happy Birthday to **Ann Burke** who turned 21 on January 1st. She works at the **Free People's Health Center.** Happy Birthday **Sue Sandoval** from **Little Village** who turned 23 on January 4, 1974.

We hope that **Al Golderg**, a fine drummer of the **Euphoria Blimp Group Band**, gets well soon. That goes for **Chops, Mike Lyczack, and Billy Hamilton** of **Little Village** too. In **Albany Park** everyone's hoping that **Diane Catomer** will get well soon.

Congratulations to **Rich & Marlene** who had a people's wedding on December 31st. They started the New Year off together.

Congratulations also to **Kip and Bonnie** from **Little Village** on the birth of their son last month. **Dave & Jerri Tomaszewski** from **Albany Park** also had a baby boy on December 31st. **Belinda & Nick Daley** from **Bridgeview** also had a son last month. His name is **Peter John.** Good luck to all the parents and children.

Jorge Rosado from **54th & Morgan** was on T.V. Thursday night, January 10th. The show was called "Journey to the Outer Limits". Right on, bro.

Changing from a good subject to a bad, did you check out President Nixon's recent energy-saving venture of flying to California on a commercial airliner to set an example for us? What an example! He took four vacations to San Clemente, 13 vacations at Key Biscayne and 36 weekends at Camp David. So to follow fearless Dick's example, next year take 53 vacations and make sure you fly by commercial airliner.

Speaking of bummers, listen to this story. Two brothers from **Forman High School** decided to enlist in the army. That was their first mistake. They signed up on the buddy system, which meant they could stay together for all three years of their enlistment. One brother failed the test, but the recruiting sergeant said he could fix it up anyway if they would do him a favor. The favor was that the sergeant got one of the brothers drunk and had him sign papers to join the infantry. So one brother was send to Fort Hood, Texas and the other to Ft. Riley, Kansas. The recruiting sergeant got a big bonus for signing up someone for the infantry. So the brothers are in for three years of this, but they learned; and now the Army is in for three years of angry young men. Anyone who's thinking about joining the service should learn from this! The Army won't solve your problems!

Sisters from Richards High School

On Saturday, January 5th, 1974 at 3636 W. Armitage some neighborhood people and a fantastic people's band called **Piledriver** put on a dance for the community.

It was great. People from **Mozart School Yard, Diversey & Pulaski, Kedvale Park** and many others came. Everyone had a good time!

Killing Floor did a fine job with **Styx** in **Hillside. Dogs** from **Lansing, Mich.** invited Rising Up Angry down for their three day gig in December at **The Lottery** in **Elgin. Direction** completed an engagement at The Mushroom on Lincoln Ave., and then did a party for the parents, kids, teachers and friends of the day care center at **Christopher House on Greenview.**

On January 26th, at 7 P.M., **DeVry Institute** will be having a talent show. It should be lots of fun.

Any neighborhood group that's putting on an event should let us know and we'll put it in the column. If enough people get us enough information we'll make it a regular part of this column.

Congratulations to **Larry Duffy and Larry Danforth from Diversey & Pulaski** who are back on the streets again.

As we go to press the trials resulting from the 71 day liberation of **Wounded Knee, South Dakota** in early 1973 are beginning. They are being held in Federal District Court in St. Paul, Minnesota, beginning January 8th, and February 4th in Sioux Falls, S.D.

These trials could be among the most important in American history, forcing the government to deal with 371 broken treaties. The trials also may well bring to the American people the continuing plight and growing struggle of our Native American population in general, and the wretched and oppressive conditions on the Pine Ridge Sioux Reservation in particular.

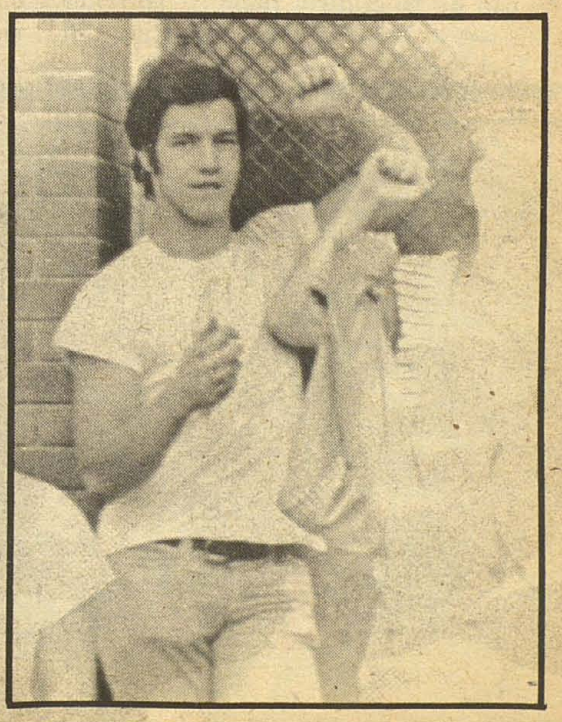
It is extremely important that concerned brothers and sisters everywhere be aware that these trials will be going on. Call the city newspapers and request information on the trials, urging more coverage, and contact your elected representatives, expressing your concern about the conditions that Indians are forced to live under and expressing solidarity with the American Indian Movement. Rising Up Angry will have more coverage as the trials get underway.

Power to the Indians
Remember Wounded Knee

Brother Ken Cooney, 21 years old, from Lloyd Park is dead. He was stabbed in the heart twice in an alley near Addison & Sheffield. It happened Sunday night, December 23rd.

He was a well known and respected brother in his neighborhood. The people who knew him dug him.

Even though Ken is gone, he is not forgotten, because he still lives in the hearts of the people who knew him. Rising Up Angry extends our deepest sympathy to Ken's family and friends.



PEOPLE'S MUSIC Reggae

Helping us take the chain from our brain!

"Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." These are the words written on the drum in a photograph of a Reggae band. Reggae is a people's music. It's good to see and hear that this music from Jamaica and the West Indies is starting to get around. For unlike too much of what we hear on radio and jukeboxes, on tapes and records, Reggae not only sounds good, but it also says so much that is worthwhile.

It is music worthy of our attention. It's great to dance to, and a major theme in its words, its lyrics, is unity -- the people standing together getting ready to move ahead. It's positive music and we all can use that! Remember Johnny Nash's hit song I CAN SEE CLEARLY NOW (all the pain is gone . . .) That'll give you a hint about what you'll hear and feel in Reggae.

Reggae is about life in the West Indies (in the Caribbean Islands south of Cuba) and other places where West Indians have gone to live and work, like Britain and the United States. The music talks about what's happening to the descendents of former sugarcane plantation slaves. It talks to all of us, giving us insights into ourselves and our own lives wherever we may live.

Life for the people of the islands, their culture, beliefs and customs has been influenced by Africa, Europe, and in later years the United States. Everything is fused together into a distinct West Indian form. And out of the islands has come some fine music: Caribbean folk music, the steel-band, calypso and now Reggae.

Black American rythm and blues and soul music has had its impact on the music of the islands and on the development of Reggae. The migrant workers -- brought to the United States from the Islands to do the difficult work of harvesting crops -- brought back the records and songs of people like Fats Domino, Sam Cooke, Solomon Burke, James Brown and Otis Redding.

Another major influence on the music is the complex set of social, economic and political conditions and relations that the people of the Islands (and those living in Britain) are forced to live under. The songs reflect the conditions, and always coming through strong is the spirit and determination of the people to change things. For just as in the United States and most parts of the world, the people of the Islands are demanding and moving forward to achieve their rights.

Many of us have a false image in our heads of the Islands. We picture Jamaica as a peaceful island full of sun and fun. This false image comes partially from Jamaican tourist ads, and tendency to glorify life in other places without investigating the actual conditions the masses of people live under. Life in the islands is hard and most people are poor, especially if you aren't a tourist. For while many of the Islands, like Jamaica, have gained so-called independence, they remain a neo-colony economically and culturally exploited by British and American capitalists. If we look beyond the tourist image to real life, its easy to understand why Jamaica has a fierce and militant history, with ongoing rebellion and revolt against the institutions of control and authority.

The peoples' fighting spirit is most developed among a segment of the population known as the Rastas. These are the descendents of the freedom fighting slaves who said no to the slave master, rebelled, and took to the hills. Today the Rastas reject the attempt to force the people of the West Indies to adopt a European personality and mentality inside a black skin.

In their music the Rastas sing about peace and love; and they did so long before peace and love became the one-time-major-theme of western acid-rock. They also sing about things and people like Judge Dread (meaning a dread quality) who symbolizes the establishment, and hands out rough prison sentences (like 1000 years) to guard the powerful ruling classes who will stop at nothing to maintain their control over the people and the Islands.

There's a movie about Reggae called THE HARDER THEY COME. It features Jimmy Cliff who does a lot of the songs on the sound track album by the same name. The film is about music, hardship, joy and struggle, and life in Kingston, Jamaica. The movie should be around again, so watch for it. And meanwhile, check out the album, and while you're at it get into Jimmy Cliff UNLIMITED, and BURNIN' by the Wailers. You'll like these albums, both for dancing and listening, for fun and learning. For Reggae conveys experiences and situations, and ideas on how to deal with them -- that all of us can relate to and learn from. The music taps that spirit we all have, the great rebellious mood nearing the surface, that feeling of an inevitable clash with the powers that be. Like Jimmy Cliff says: "I've been lost and found, cast upside down . . . but I cannot fail 'cause I'm not alone, And I'm Born to Win!"

The songs HALLELUJAH TIME and GET UP, STAND UP are from the Wailers' album BURNIN' (Island Records, dist. by Capitol). THE PRICE OF PEACE PAYED is from Jimmy Cliff's album UNLIMITED (Reprise Records). Also check out Jimmy Cliff's THE HARDER THEY COME (Mango Records, dist. by Capitol)

THE PRICE OF PEACE PAYED

Brother what a Price I've payed
You've stolen my history
Destroyed by culture
Cut off my tongue
so I can't communicate

Destroyed by whole way of life
so myself I should hate.

You took away my name
put me to shame
made me a disgrace
the world's laughing stock
Makin' me a show
to cheer and to mock
But the time is at hand
So you better watch the clock.

GET UP, STAND UP

Get up, stand up
stand up for your rights.
Get up, stand up
stand up for your rights.
Get up, stand up
stand up for your rights.
Get up, stand up
Don't give up the fight

Preacher man don't tell me
Heaven is under the earth
I know you don't know
what life is really worth
It's not all that glitters is gold
Have the story has never been told
so now you see the light
stand up for you rights

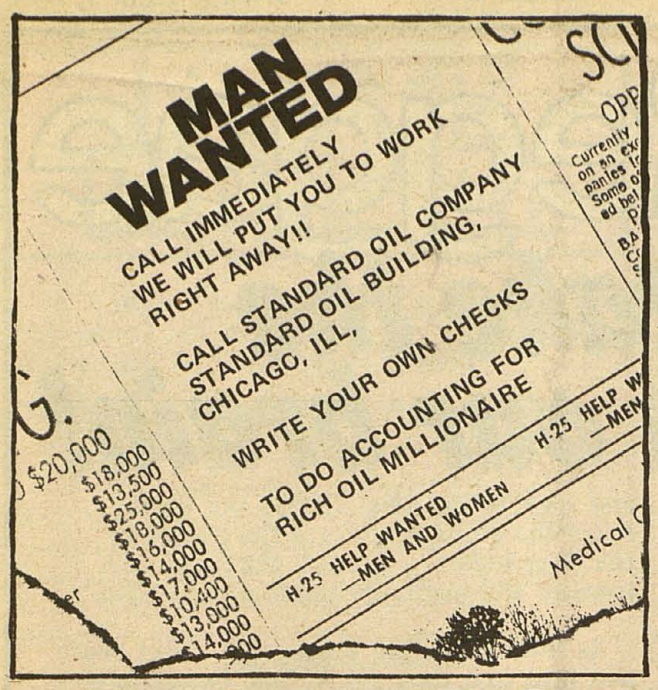
HALLELUJAH TIME

Hear the children crying
but I know they're not crying in vain
now the times are changing
love buds come to bloom again

But though we bear our burdens now
all aflictions got to end somehow
from swinging the hammer
to pulling the plough

Why won't you let us be to live in harmony
we'd like to be free like birds in a tree

Jimmy Cliff (left) and 3 of the 6 members of the WAILERS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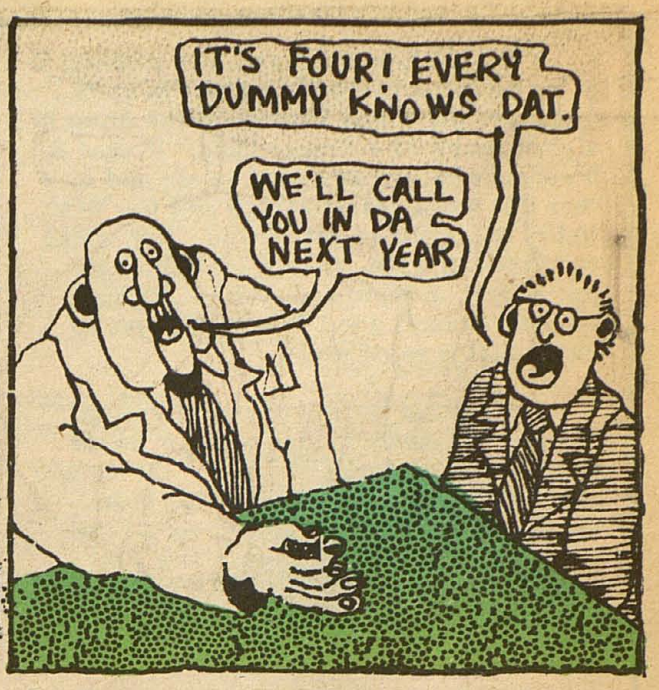
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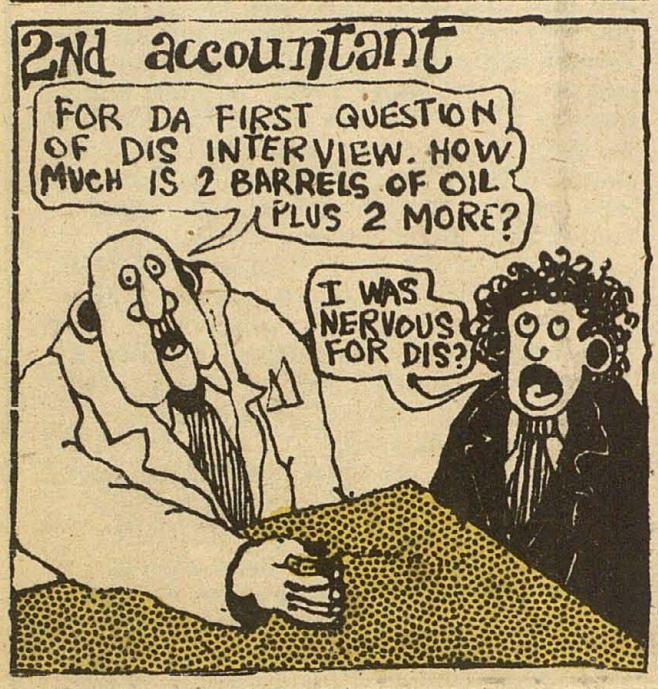
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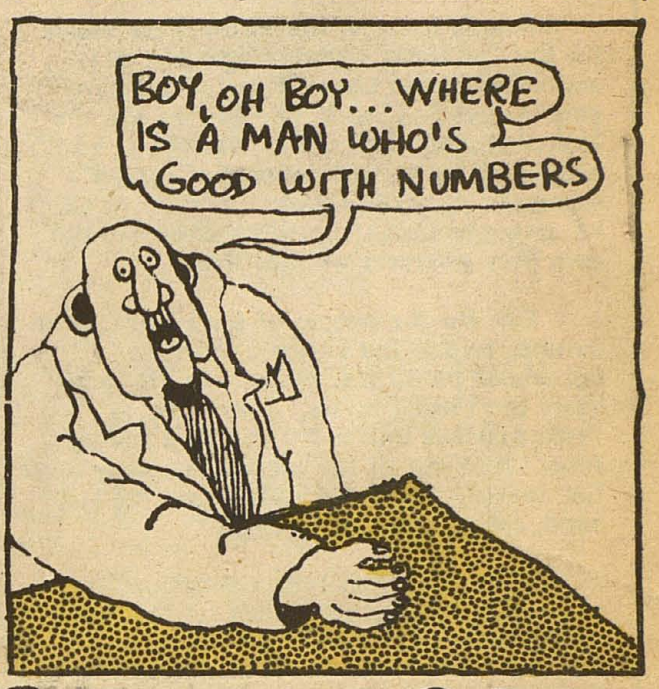
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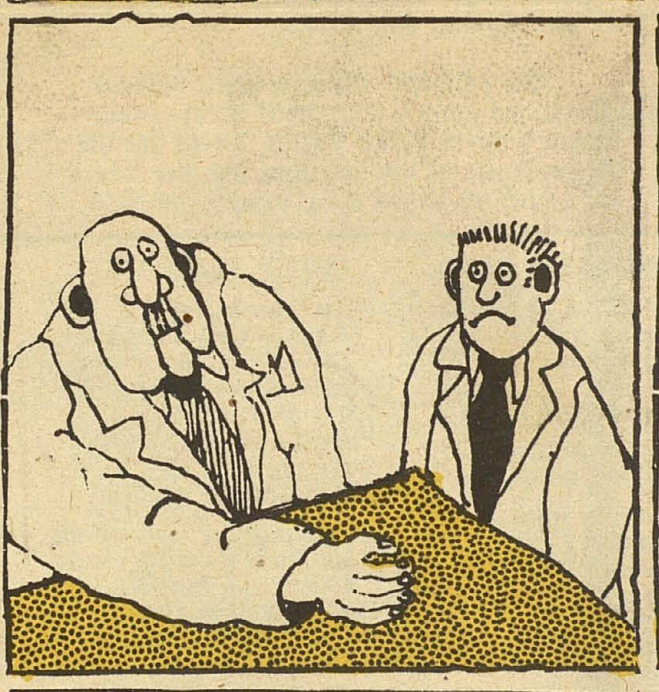
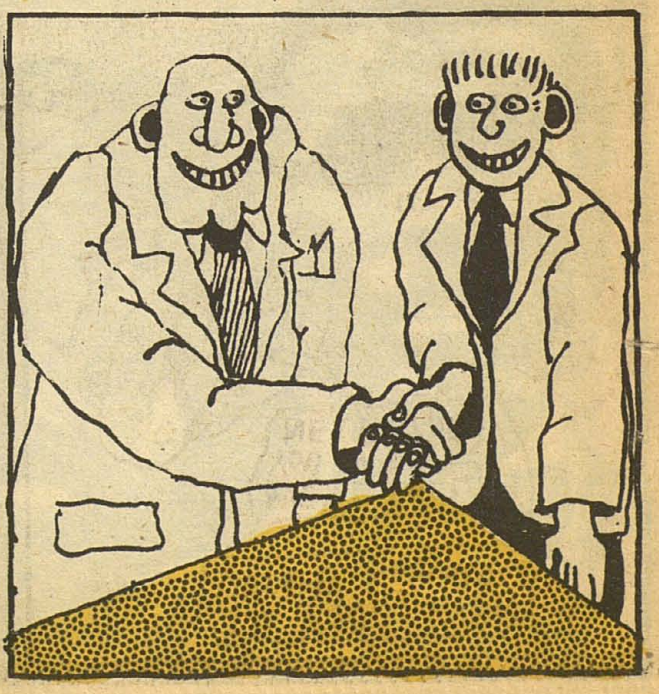
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